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AGENT REPORT

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1. NAME OF SUBJECT OR TITLE OF INCIDENT		2. DATE SUBMITTED	
SOBELOFF, Eugene (U)		3 August 1956	
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4. REPORT OF FINDINGS			
On 20 July 1956, Karl Heinz Menzen, German national, born 23 February 1927 in Muelheim/Ruhr LB5299, Germany, unemployed, former Soviet prisoner, residing at 12 Ruhrorterstrasse, Muelheim/Ruhr, was interviewed at his home concerning Eugene SOBELOFF, a fellow prisoner who claimed United States citizenship, and stated substantially as follows: Menzen was arrested by Soviet Agents while on a visit to West Berlin UU9323, Germany, on 29 August 1946. At the time of his arrest, Menzen claimed to have been employed as an interpreter-translator Menzen was charged as being an espionage agent for a Western Power and was sent to Lublijanka (phonetic) Prison in Moscow, USSR. Menzen was detained at this prison for approximately one year, for interrogation and examination. Menzen claims that in the course of these interrogations, he was examined by one Georgi Zarubin, a well known officer in the USSR diplomatic service. Upon completion of this period of incarceration, Menzen was brought before a court and sentenced to twenty-five years at hard labor at the Vorkuta Mining Complex corrective labor camps, located north of Moscow. Menzen remained at this prison complex until November 1955, when he was released in the general amnesty secured by Chancellor Adenauer on his diplomatic visit to Moscow. SOBELOFF claims to be an Ensign in the United States Navy. SUBJECT states that he was captured at an unknown China port by Chinese Communist Forces when they overran China in 1948. SUBJECT claims to have been the Captain of a small United States Naval Vessel (LCT) at the time of his capture. SUBJECT is Russian by birth but claims to be a naturalized United States citizen. SUBJECT claimed to have joined the United States Navy in 1938, and was on duty at Pearl Harbor, Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii, in December 1941, when the United States Navy installations were attacked by the Japanese. SUBJECT was sentenced to twenty-five years hard labor at Vorkuta, USSR. When last seen in November 1955, SUBJECT was at mine number 9, and was engaged in the construction of living quarters for other prisoners. SUBJECT is described as being approximately 45 to 48 years of age; slight build; blue eyes, and approximately 5' 9" tall. SUBJECT is very ill with tuberculosis. Menzen had no further information concerning the background of SUBJECT. AGENT'S NOTES: Menzen declined to submit a signed statement			
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because of his limited knowledge of the facts and because he feared reprisals against himself and his family by Russian agents in Germany.

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